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## BOLSHEVIKI CLAIM CAPTURE OF SOVIETS BOAST OF VICTORY ON SOUTH

European Nations Are Getting Ready to Resume Diplomatic Relations With Teutons

KILMARNOCK GOES TO BERLIN FROM LONDON

German Republic Calls Upon Striking Railroad Men to Take Up Jobs

LONDON, Jan. 13,-The capture of 25,400 prisoners is claimed in an official statement issued today by the soviet government at Moscow, giving details of the results of Bolshevik operations on the southern front between December 21 and January 9.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 12 .- A plan to turned over to the allies, is being con-sidered by officers of the German navy, according to information receiv ed by the majority Socialist party leaders. A Berlin measage quotes Die Frieheit as declaring that a high German officer had so informed the German leaders.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—The three premiers -M. Clemenceau of France, Mr. Lloyd George of Great Britain and Signor Nitti of Italy-met this morning at the foreign ministry to consider the Adriatic question.

The supreme council did not sit today. Its next meeting will be held tomorrow. The peace conference committee on verification of credentials today examined the letters of credit of the Hungarian peace delegates and found them to be satisfactory.

LONDON, Jan. 12.-Lord Kilmar nock left London today to act as British diplomatic representative in Ber

His departure marks an important matic relations between Great Britain and Germany which will be effected immediately. Consuls and consulsgeneral will be appointed almost im-mediately by Germany. Germany will be represented first here by a charge d'affaires but it is believed the rank will soon be raised to that of minister instead of ambassador as formerly,

ATHENS, Sunday, Jan. 11.-The Greco-American commercial treaty will be denounced on January 13, as has been done already with such treat

LONDON, Jan. 12.—Count Mens-dorff - Poully - Dietrichstein, Austro-Hungarian ambassador in London at the time war was declared, intends to return to England and live privately, it

BERLIN, Jan. 12.-Via London. The government has issued a manifes-to urgently calling upon the striking railway men to resume work immedi ately, pointing out, among other things the consequences of the strike on 400,-000 war prisoners "whom your action is shutting out from wife and fam-

The manifesto concludes with the announcement that special regulations will be proclaimed, if necessary, to sence of Russia from Saturday's cereed that the freedom of the press, the right of assembly and the right to strike have been suspended by order of the president in districts where the railway strike is in progress.

#### March Calls in Army Heads For Conference

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.- Departmental and divisional commanders of part in the final act. the army were called in conference to-

should be established in the army be- questions whether Great

Departmental and divisional commanders met here today at the call adding of Secretary Baker to discuss army re-They included Lieuten; ant General Liggett, Major Generals Leonard Wood, Edward, Hines, Lewis, Sharpe and Harbord, and Brigadier

General W. P. Richardson. One purpose of the conference is to familiarize the commanders with the policies under which the bureaus here are operating, rather than to determine upon any changes.

## Transport Brings the

NEW YORK, Jan. 12,-The last contingent of troops quartered at the mili-tary camp at Brest arrived here today She brought 237 officers, war workers istration officials have urged Mr. Lef-

and civilians, and 615 troops. The George Washington will be turn ed over to the United States shipping board and will be allocated to some steamshhip company

#### Quake Swallows Home; Occupants Unable To Escape

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 12-Unique n the annals of the earthquake is the experience of the family of Proessor Francisco Riveros of Barranca Nueva. The quake opened a great chasm in the earth in which their home was engulfed.

For more than a week members of the family have been living in the bottom of this abyes at least onehundred and forty feet below the surface of the earth. Surviving neighbors have been lewering them food and water at the imminent risk of dislodging which might fall

and crush them beneath. Belief is expressed that rain or new shocks will mean the deaths of those imprisoned in the abyss.

Reports from the San Miguel district indicate the eruption of the new crater is decreasing in violence. A telegram from the mayor of Chalchicemula, state of Puebla, however, states that shocks have been numerous there since the first carthquake and that he has received information that the towns of Saltillo, Lafragua and Chicotla nearby have been destroyed.

# ABSENCE AT PARIS MINERS WILL ACCEPT

les with other nations. Negotiations One Writer Doubts the Reality will then be taken up to conclude new treatles with the government in questions. One Writer Doubts the Reality of Peace Behind Act of Ratification

> LONDON, Jan. 12.-Regret that the nited States did not participate in ratification of the treaty of Versailles is expressed by today's newspapers. Some editorials strike a doleful note. "The omission of America's signature to the ratifying document," says the Telegraph, "stands for the bitter disappointment of the hope that glow-

> ed with promise for humanity a year ago. It is true the league of nations exists by the terms of the treaty but the world knows that until the United States adheres to the league not a tithe of the usefulness and moral authority it should possess will belong

mony and says; "Until the sky in that direction

grows clearer there can be no world peace nor any hope of it" Doubts of the reality of peace be

hind the formal act of ratification are expressed by the Daily News. "There is not a nation which cannot If it wishes, manufacture new grievances out of the woes of the world," it says. "The occasions of offense

are so numerous they obscure the very fact of peace."
The News says that "America which did so much to make peace," had no

The Chronicle, discussing the league day by General March, the chief of of nations, says it is much weakened staff, to consider plans for the peace by the action of the American senate. It expresses the hope, nevertheless, One of the principal subjects of dis- that allied governments will immedicussion is expected to be the ratio that ately go ahead with the league, but Britain, ween education and military train- France and Italy, without the support of America can assume a position to

act as dictators to the rest of Europe, "America's concurrence would have until tomorrow.

#### Glass Is Summoned To the White House by either side; as to its authority to tion to the sense fix wages up or down; whether it of the Meuse.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.-President Wilson today summoned Secretary Glass of the White House for a confersider that the prices so made would chosen almost unanimously on the prices and whether in fixing prices He was not a candidate but received a agriculture, in business, in manufactors and was agriculture, and the prices are also account to the prices and whether in fixing prices are also account to the prices and whether in fixing prices are also account to the prices and whether in fixing prices are also account to the prices and whether in fixing prices are also account to the prices are also account to the prices and whether in fixing prices are also account to the prices are also account to the prices are also account to the prices and the prices are also account to the prices ence. It was understood a successor not hold after the expiration of the second to Mr. Glass was to be discussed. An Lever food and fuel act. "I ar senate to which he was appointed to tion. succeed the late Senator Martin of

Virginia.

lection of Assistant Secretary Leffing abide by the finding finally made?" the transport George Washington well to succeed him, and other admin- asked the chairman. fingwell's appointment.

If you want to get along well with moods as often as it does

#### Little Excitement As France Sets Out to Name New President

PARIS, Jan. 12.—The election on the coming Saturday, January 17, of the president of the French republic, always one of the least exciting functions in the political life of the country, will be reduced to its simplest form in this instance unless Premier Clemenceau should decide not to be a candidate, of which there is now no ex-

In only a few minor details will the election resemble the choosing of an American president. Conforming to the custom, there probably will not be any party con ventions. The presidential eldetors themselves-300 senators and 624 deputies were elected independently of any presidential issue, the eventual candidates being unknown when the members of parliament were chosen.

A mere assurance by Premier Clemenceau that he will accept the presidency will render a preliminary meeting unnecessary, in which event the occasion will be chiefly social and gastronomical.

The day's program will begin with luncheons in the spacious balls of the ancient palace of the kings of France and in the hotels of Versailles, and members of the cabinet, president of the senate and the chamber of deputies will be guests at special banquets. is at the luncheons and banquets generally that the first "straw

ANY DECISION MADE

John L. Lewis, Acting Presi-

dent, Gives Assurance When

Meeting Is Opened

OPERATORS DECLINE TO MAKE PROMISE

Want To Know Whether the

Board's Verdict Is to Be Final

and Binding

Harry N. Robinson.

Brewster returned.

propounded by the operators.

Question by Operators

votes" regarding presidential possibilities are taken and the dining rooms are as animated as those of the leading hotels in American cities during the national convention of one of the great parties. The proceedings of the electory

Chinese Kidnap U. S. Citizen

meeting, held at Versailles, itself are very simple. Antonin Dubost, president of the senate, will call the assemblage to order at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He will read the articles of the constitution fixing the mode of electing the president and then will de-"the national assembly is duly constituted and the vote for president will take place at the speaker's stand on nomination and roll call." Organization of the body will be completed with the selection by lot of 38 electors. One additional name then will be drawn from the hat to decide where the alphabetical roll call shall begin.

Nominating speeches are omitted. The enthusiasm generally comes in a single burst of applause when the presiding officer declares the name of the candidate who has been duly elected president. The president of the congress thereupon declares the national assembly dissolved as soon as he can make himself heard above the confusion, and immediately the long column of carriages,

conveying the electors, files back to Paris

"I shouldn't like to answer that with-

out a conference with some of my asso-

ciates here," Mr. Brewster said. Isn't it wise to accept President Wilson's letter of instruction to the committee as outlining its powers fully and assume that its members will do as good a piece of work as then can? asked Mr. Robinson,

BY COAL COMMISSION "We assume that," Mr. Brewster re Then we'll take the whole list of questions under advisement and make

#### FRENCH PRESIDENT SELECTED SENATOR OF MEUSE DISTRICT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 - Bitumin-ous coal miners will accept unreserv-Poincaire Declares He Will Be edly any decision made by the president's coal commission in settlement People of District of the coal strike, John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine

Workers of America, declared at the opening today of the first public hearing senators who were candidates were Commerce. ings of the commission. Mr. Lewis re-elected yesterday, ont outstanding added that the miners' representatives being Charles Humbert, who was acwould assist the commission's inquiry. quitted last May by a court martial of Mr. Lewis' assurance was given in a charge of having had dealings with answer to a question by Chairman the enemy. He withdrew on the second ballot and asked his supporters Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of to throw their strength to President the scale committee of the operators Poincare. in the central competitive field, reply-

One unified Socialist candidate was ing to the same question by the chair- elected. Hitherto that party had boyman, said he could make no promises cotted the senate, advocating its abolifor the operators until the commission

had given answers to ten questions The first time in the history of France the presidential candidate is Chairman Robinson said the comnot a member of either the senate or mission would take up the questions the chamber of deputies. This was a and furnish a statement to the opera- result of M. Clemenceau's refusal to members into many different sections defeated by the rebel leader in several ter, the importation or transportation The commission then adjourned become a candidate in the Var contomorrow. The commission then adjourned become a candidate in the Var concountries. Last winter, the board's from Tampico to a Mexican newspaper Measures to combat seditious organ to the premier's seat in the senate. Among the operators' questions were M. Clemenceau will thus be unable to England. Of the twenty-two cities to whether the commissions' award would take part in the election of a presibe final and binding on both miners dent.

sion would act on matters brought up tating President Poincare on his elec. New Mexico. by either side; as to its authority to tion to the senate from the department

Last Troop Contingent appointment is to be expected soon so that Mr. Glass Can take his seat in the senate to which he was appointed to tion."

Lever tood and rue act.

Mr. Brewster said the questions were submitted "to clarify the situation of faithful affection you have spontaneously given me," he wrote.

On this winter's trip, for the first which he was appointed to tion." on."

"At the end of the magistracy entrust"If the answers by the commission ed to me by the national assembly I board members will accompany the that 600 suspects have been taken. Mr. Glass is known to favor the semight some of them be unwilling to patriotic populations of the Meuse, cial Pullman coaches. The first stop of crimes were reported to the police, zenship. some of whom have been during four will be made at Kansas City. years the victims of invasion, while "We'll stand by the decision on any others have had their homes destroyed point. We submit to arbitration," Mr. and all of whom have borne unheardof sacrifices with the noblest courage, garian Socialists are organizing suc- "All are in jail, or most of them." "I understand then that you will only I shall work with them for the re-cessful demonstration, according to the weather, you must change your accept this decision so far as it touches moods as often as it does.

In a count upon my entire devotion."

M. P. CHARGES LIBEL



LONDON-A. Lye-Samuel, member of parliament, has brought action against his opponent, F. W. French, for alleged libelous statements in regard to his past life. He is said to have speculated himself into bankruptcy in America, married a rich widow and returned to England. He is here shown with his second wife.

#### CLEVELAND CHAMBER statement later," Mr. Robinson said OF COMMERCE PARTY WILL STOP IN OGDEN

Business Men and Wives Due Italian Village Burned in Junction City March 3, Letter Says

Ogden is one of the 22 cities in the west and far west to be placed on the Happy to Represent Brave itinerary of a six thousand mile trade extension tour to be undertaken in February by members of the Manufac-PARIS, Jan 12.—Most of the outgo Board of the Cleveland Chamber of

> representing large commercial and in villages being isolated. dustrial interests in Ohio, expect to spend Wednesday, March 3, in Ogden. They will hold conferences with business men of the city and suggest co operation to bring about closer commercial and industrial relationships between the two cities for mutual ben-

The tour to the west and far west will be the forty-ninth trade extension tour of the Manufacturers and Merchants Board of Cleveland. Past tour trip included Belgium, France and be visited this year, five are in California, five in Kansas and the rest in and operators; whether the commis- Today's newspapers unite in felici. Missouri, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and

"We are especially interested in the remarkable development of the west, would consider it had power to make President Poincare has written to said C. L. Fish, president of the Cleve retroactive awards concerning wages the electors accepting the senatorship, land board, in outlining the trip to a and prices and whether in fixing prices. He was not a candidate but received a Cleveland audience the other day. In ple have made such notable progress

BULGAR SOCIALISTS ORGANIZE

## ORDERS RELEASE OF CAPTURED AMERICAN BANISH RED FLAG

Dr. A. L. Shelton of Kansas Law Would Make It Easier for Held By Bandits on Outlaws Instructions

ORIENTAL OUTLAW HAS BAND OF 5,000

Preacher's Wife and Two Daughters Arrive At Place of Friends

PEKING, Wednesday, Jan. 7 .- (E) The Associated Press)-Dr. A. L. Shel ton, a Christian missionary, was captured by bandits at Laoyakuan, near Yunnan-Fo, on January 2, and is being held for ransom, according to reports received here.

His wife and two daughters, who have arrived at Yunnan-Fu, say the kidnappers acted under orders of Yang Tien Fu, a notorious outlaw, who has been operating with 5,000 followers, in enactment of a stringent sedition bill laid down by the band,

their prisoners as a guest unless the was said to be eradication of "parlor military was employed to effect his Bolsheviki." cer in Japan.

Dr. Shelton, who formerly resided in certain cases for disfranchisement t Anthony, Kan., was stationed at and deportations. Batang, province of Szechuan, near the Tibetan border. The point where he was captured is in Yunnan province, which borders Szechuan on the south.

BERNE, Sunday, Jan. 11-Porrachia. buried by an avalanche and many persons are reported to have been killed. Five children were killed in their home punished by death, or shall be impriswhich was buried in an avalanche near oned not more than twenty years or Galtuer, in the Vorarlberg mountains. Heavy snowstorms in the Alps have Members of the Cleveland party, blocked railroads and highways, many blocked railroads and highways, many holding office under the United

## Gen. Murgia Sent to

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 12.—Gen-eral Francisco Murguia has been sent ment of the United States or the govto the Tampico district by President eraments of the several states, Carranza of Mexico to oppose General distribution, writing, printing, publishhave carried representative board Manuel Pelaez, the rebel, and has been ing or transportation of seditious mat

> has a force of only 5,000 men against against the government are declared General Murguia's command of 10,000 to be unlawful and persons would be

#### Chicago Crime Wave Ebbs After Roundup

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Chicago's crime with a Sunday free from holdups and sentences and prohibited to return to robberies as a result of the city-wide the country, and persons who have roundup of criminals in which more declared their intention to become citi-

Unlike other days when long lists ized would become ineligible to citiyesterday passed without activities of SALONIKA, Sunday, Jan. 11.-Bul-criminals announced as the reason:

### DRASTIC PROVISION AND SPEEDY ACTION ON MEASURE URGED

Radicals Whose Actions Cause Death Would Suffer Extreme Penalty

AT ALL MEETINGS

the U. S. to Deport All Undesirables

WASHINGTON; Jan. 12,-Radical raids by the department of justice have caused a slowing up of the 1920 consus count in New York, Boston and other cities with large foreign population, ac-cording to reports to Samuel R. Roberts, director of the census bursau. In order that foreigners may be ensured that census enumerators are not department of justice agents, the director has ordered interpreters to precede enumerators in districts inhabited by foreigners.

Protesta from Minneapolis that Los Angeles is counting tourists as residents is being investigated by the census bureau

the Kochin mountains. It is said the yy congress was presaged when, folobject of lawless acts has been to lowing passage Saturday in the senale discredit the local governor for re of the Sterling bill, announcement was fusing to accept the terms of surrender made that the house judiciary committee had agreed upon a similar measure Treated as Guests and probably would report it tomor-The bandits stated they would treat row. One of the purposes of the bill

release. Yang Tien Fu is reported to The house measure, a combination have been educated as a military offi- of Attorney General Palmer's original bill, introduced by Rep. Davey, of Officials of the American legation Ohic, and revisions made by Rep. Grahere and Chinese authorities are inves-tigating the case. • tremely stringent penalties for viola-tions of the sedition laws. Included A message from Cincinnati Sunday is the death penalty which the bill night gave the first information of the would have inflicted, upon the recom-capture of Dr. Shelton. It was an-mendation of a jury, on persons whose nounced there that the Foreign Chris. activities against the government lead ian Missionary society, a Disciples to destruction of life. The measure church organization for which Dr. Shelton had for twenty years been a missionary in China and Tibet, had hibit the exhibition of a red flag in been informed by the state department connection with mass meetings, deny of the capture, the department adding persons the right to refuse to give testhat it had demanded immediate ac- timony on the ground that it might tend to incriminate them, and provide

> Death Penalty Clause. The section of the measure, which

provides for the death penalty follows: "That whoever incites, sets on foot, assists, or engages in any insurrec tion or rebellion against the United States or the authority or laws thereof, or whoever sets on foot or assists or engages in the use of force or vio-By Great Avalanche lence, with intent to destroy or cause to be destroyed or change or cause to be changed or to overthrow or cause to be overthrown the government of village in the Italian Alps, has been person or persons is caused or results directly therefrom, shall be guilty of fined not more than \$20,000, or both, States; provided, however, that the death penalty shall not be imposed unless recommended in the verdict of the jury."

Tampico Meets Defeat Other sections of the measure would prohibit any person using any "writing, printing or any sign, symbol, picture, with the purpose nizations also are included. All such

The dispatch said General Pelacz organizations teaching the use of force prohibited from engaging in their activities, contributing money to them, or even renting them property in which to carry on their work. The "giving, loaning or compromising of anything of value" to such organizations is declared to constitute affiliation with such associations.

Deportation on Conviction Aliens convicted under the wave had ebbed to zero early today would be deported after serving their zens but who have not been natural-

Conviction of citizens under all secthugs. And Deputy Chief of Police tions except that providing the death Alcock, who is directing the raids on penalty would carry imprisonment for not more than twenty years, or a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both, and, Two criminal suspects have been in addition the convicted person would